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Commissioner For Patents
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Re: Applicant(s): Masuda, Ko; Takeshita, Takashi; Matsunaga, Hiroshi
 Assignee: NHK Spring Co., Ltd.
 Title: Vehicle Occupant Restraint System
 Serial No.: 10/613,737
 Examiner: Joseph F. Edell Filed: July 1, 2003
 Docket No.: AB-1324 US Group Art Unit: 3636

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) This Transmittal Letter (in duplicate);
- (2) Response to Office Action (14 pages); and
- (3) Replacement Sheet for Page 6 of Drawings which includes Figs. 7 and 8 (1 page).

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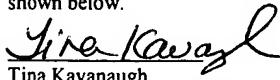
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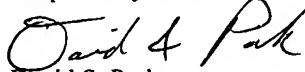
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Respectfully submitted,


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